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MEMORANDUM FOR RESEARCH:

In the Annual Report of the District Investigative Committee attention is called to the seriousness of the insect problem in District 3. As I understand it the present agreement between the Forest Service and the Bureau of Entomology does not permit the Forest Service to make investigations in entomology. Our greatest insect problem in District 3 as I see it at present, is one demanding investigations before control work can be undertaken. I have reference to the damage of the tip moth to planting and natural reproduction. The work of this insect is so serious that on many sites it precludes the possibility of successful planting. The reforestation problem in yellow pine on the Coconino resolves itself into an insect problem. If we cannot take up this investigation ourselves, can we not get the Bureau of Entomology to do something?

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